

UNITED METAL FINISHERS, INC.

4600 WEST PALMER STREET • CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60639 • PHONE: (312) 489-7200



January 7, 1987

Mr. Joseph Devuono
Waste Management Div.
U.S. EPA- Region V
230 S. Dearborn St
Chicago, Il 60604



Dear Mr. Devuono:

In April of 1984, I purchased most of the assets of United Metal Finishers, Inc., a then wholly owned subsidiary of A.P.I. Industries. During the time of my ownership, currently, and for approximately 18 months prior to that, two companies picked up our sludge. One was Chemical Waste and the other was Envirite.. Neither of these companies were included in your lists. The nature of sludge that we generate is zinc hydroxide.

The time period in question, 1955 - 1980 predates my ownership. Since I did not purchase the company or the stock of the company but some of the assets, I do not have the company records prior to 4-1-84. (See enclosed "asset purchase agreement, bill of sale, and amendment to articles changing name").

However, since I have been Plant Manager since 1974, I can make the following statement: Nowhere in my records or memory have I ever done business with a Steve Martell. I have not done business with any of the organizations you listed on your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

United Metal Finishers, Inc

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Stephen J. Kononiuk".

Stephen J. Kononiuk
President & Gen'l Mgr

Subscribed and sworn to me this 7th Day of January, 1987

Seal A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Harold W. Baker".

NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF ILLINOIS
MY COMMISSION EXP. APR. 27, 1988
ISSUED THRU ILL. NOTARY ASSOC.

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This Asset Purchase Agreement made and entered into this 31 day of March, 1984 (this "Agreement") by and between KON-ONIUK, INC., (to be changed to United Metal Finishers, Inc.) an Illinois corporation, (the "Purchaser") STEPHEN J. KONONIUK (the "guarantor") and API INDUSTRIES, INC., a Delaware corporation, authorized to do business in the State of Illinois, (the "Seller").

W I T N E S S E T H:

A. Seller is sole owner of a commercial enterprise operated as a subsidiary of Seller and known as UNITED METAL FINISHERS, Inc. an Illinois corporation, located at 4600 W. Palmer St., Chicago, Illinois, 60639, which is primarily engaged in the business of metal finishing.

B. Seller desires to sell and Purchaser is willing to purchase certain assets of the business on the terms and conditions herein set forth.

Now, therefore, it is mutually agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

ASSETS TO BE SOLD

1.1 Seller agrees to sell and Purchaser agrees to purchase, for the considerations specified in Article II hereof, the entire business owned, conducted and operated by Seller, at 4600 W. Palmer St., Chicago, Illinois, excluding therefrom cash on hand or in banks, accounts receivable and accounts payable, prepaid insurance and other prepaid items. Without restricting the generality of the foregoing, the assets and business being purchased shall include:

Seller, API Industries, Inc., and United Metal Finishers, Inc.of Delaware and Illinois, respectively, in con-sideration of Three hundred twenty-five thousand (\$325,000) & no/100 dollars, receipt whereof
is hereby acknowledged, does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to Buyer, K. Link ENTERPRISES,LTD. Inc., an Illinois corporation of Chicago, Illinois,

the following described personal property, to-wit:

- 1 - All furniture, fixtures, plating equipment as set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto and made part hereof by reference;
- 2 - All inventory of salable goods, wares and merchandise on hand on the premises commonly known as 4600 W. Palmer St., Chicago, IL;
- 3 - All supplies on hand on the premises commonly known as 4600 W. Palmer St., Chicago, IL;
- 4 - Customers' records and files of United Metal Finishers, Inc.;
- 5 - Right to telephone number HU 9-7200, subject to consent of Illinois Bell Telephone Co.;
- 6 - Right to use of the name, "United Metal Finishers, Inc." for corporate purposes in Illinois;
- 7 - Two (2) motor vehicles registered in Illinois, as more particularly described on the respective Title Certificates, subject to the liens described on said certificates;

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Seller hereby represents and warrants to Buyer that Seller is the absolute owner of said property, that said property is free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances, and that Seller has full right, power and authority to sell said personal property and to make this bill of sale. All warranties of quality, fitness, and merchantability are hereby excluded.

If this bill of sale is signed by more than one person, all persons so signing shall be jointly and severally bound hereby.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Seller has signed and sealed this bill of sale at Chicago, IL

(this 31 day of MARCH, 19 84.)
United Metal Finishers, Inc. , API Industries, Inc. (SEAL)
By: [Signature] By: [Signature] (SEAL)

5335-532-3
(Do not write in this space)
Date Paid 4-26-84
License Fee \$
Franchise Tax \$ 25-
Filing Fee \$
Clerk BH

(File in Duplicate)

**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
TO THE
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF**

KONONIUK ENTERPRISES, LTD.

(Exact Corporate Name)

To JIM EDGAR
Secretary of State
Springfield, Illinois

The undersigned corporation, for the purpose of amending its Articles of Incorporation and pursuant to the provisions of Section 55 of "The Business Corporation Act" of the State of Illinois, hereby executes the following Articles of Amendment:

ARTICLE FIRST: The name of the corporation is:

KONONIUK ENTERPRISES, LTD.

ARTICLE SECOND: The following amendment or amendments were adopted in the manner prescribed by "The Business Corporation Act" of the State of Illinois:

RESOLVED that Article One of the Articles of Incorporation of Kononiuk Enterprises, Ltd., be and they are hereby amended to changed the name of the corporation from "Kononiuk Enterprises, Ltd." to "United Metal Finishers, Inc."